

Whereas the cost of holding an assembly in the United States would exceed the amount provided in the budget of the World Health Organization for holding an assembly in Geneva, Switzerland, the headquarters of the Organization: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is authorized to be appropriated to the Department of State, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$400,000 for the purpose of defraying the expenses incident to organizing and holding the Eleventh World Health Assembly in the United States. Funds appropriated pursuant to this authorization shall be available for advance contribution to the World Health Organization for additional costs incurred by the Organization in holding the Eleventh World Health Assembly outside the Organization's headquarters at Geneva, Switzerland; and shall be available for expenses incurred by the Department of State, on behalf of the United States as host government, including personal services without regard to civil-service and classification laws; employment of aliens; travel expenses without regard to the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and to the rates of per diem allowances in lieu of subsistence expenses under the Travel Expense Act of 1949; rent of quarters by contract or otherwise; and hire of passenger motor vehicles.

Approved July 30, 1956.

Eleventh World
Health Assembly,
1958.
Appropriation.

63 Stat. 166.
5 USC 835 note.

Public Law 833

CHAPTER 777

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing an appropriation for expenses of the Pan American games to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1959.

July 30, 1956
[S. J. Res. 186]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of \$5,000,000 for III Pan American Games (1959). The said appropriation shall be available for the purpose of promoting and insuring the success of the Pan American games to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1959 and shall be expended in the discretion of the organization sponsoring said games, subject to such audit as may be prescribed by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Approved July 30, 1956.

Pan American
games, 1959.
Appropriation.

Public Law 834

CHAPTER 778

AN ACT

To grant leaves of absence to homestead entrymen and to permit suspension of cultivation and improvement operations on homestead and desert land entries, and for other purposes.

July 30, 1956
[S. 3458]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any person who holds a homestead entry on public lands which was allowed and subsisting on March 1, 1956, or which, based on an application on file on March 1, 1956, was allowed and subsisting on the date of approval of this Act, is hereby granted leave of absence from the lands until March 1, 1959, and any person who holds a homestead or desert land entry which was allowed and subsisting on March 1, 1956, or which, based on an application on file on March 1, 1956, was allowed and

Homestead entry-
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Leave of ab-
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Protection of
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subsisting on the date of approval of this Act, is hereby granted permission to suspend until March 1, 1959, further operations looking to the cultivation and improvement of the lands: *Provided*, That such entryman shall forfeit no rights and shall not otherwise be excused from full compliance with the applicable public land laws by reason of such absence or of such suspension of cultivation and improvement operations: *And provided further*, That the rights of such entrymen shall not be protected by this Act unless they file with the land office having jurisdiction over the area in which the land is located, (a) a notice of their intention to absent themselves from the land or to suspend cultivation and improvement operations and accompanying such notice information as to location and extent of present cultivation or improvement placed on the entry, and (b) a grant to the United States, for itself and for its lessees, licensees, and permittees, of a right to enter upon and occupy the lands which have not been prepared for cultivation or which have not had improvements placed on them, without recourse, for any purpose authorized by the public land laws, except that such grant need not include a right to construct permanent improvements on the land or to permit a substantial change in its character.

SEC. 2. Any person who on March 1, 1956, had on file a homestead or desert land application which application shall be allowed on its merits subsequent to enactment of this Act and prior to March 1, 1959, shall not be required to enter upon the lands and commence residence thereon, or cultivate and improve the lands prior to March 1, 1959: *Provided*, That said person files with the land offices having jurisdiction over the area in which the land is located, (a) within sixty days after the date of allowance of his entry, a notice of his intention to delay initiation of his residence, cultivation, or improvements, and (b) at least ninety days prior to initiation of his residence, cultivation, or improvements, a notice of his intention to initiate said activity. For the purposes of the homestead and desert land laws, March 1, 1959, may be treated as the date of the entry, if an actual entry has not been made prior to that date. If an actual entry is made prior to March 1, 1959, the date of such actual entry shall be the date of entry for the purposes of the homestead and desert land laws. Until an actual entry by a person subject to the provisions of this section has been made, or until March 1, 1959, whichever first occurs, the United States, for itself and for its lessees, permittees, and licensees, shall retain the right to enter upon and occupy the lands in each such entry, without recourse, for any purpose authorized by the public land laws: *Provided*, That the United States, its lessees, permittees, and licensees, shall not construct permanent improvements on the lands or otherwise substantially change such lands in their character.

SEC. 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of the desert land laws, the property right prior to issuance of patent to the lands in his desert land entry of an entryman who elects to suspend cultivation and improvement operations in accordance with section 1 of this Act and of an entryman whose entry is allowed in accordance with section 2 of this Act shall be a personal right, inheritable but not assignable.

SEC. 4. This Act shall apply only to applications filed for, or entries made on, public lands in the continental United States, exclusive of Alaska, pursuant to the Act of May 20, 1862 (12 Stat. 392; 43 U. S. C., ch. 7), as amended and supplemented, and pursuant to Act of March 3, 1877 (19 Stat. 377; 43 U. S. C., ch. 9), as amended and supplemented. Nothing in this Act shall apply to applications filed for, or entries made on, public lands pursuant to the Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388; 43 U. S. C., ch. 12), as amended and supplemented.

43 USC 371 note.

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